



Rachel Ann Sparks

December 27, 1992 - July 20, 2021

Rachel Ann Sparks, 28, passed away unexpectedly on July 20th, 2021.

Rachel was born on December 27th, 1992, to Charles E. and Annette Sparks in Mt. Sterling, KY. She grew up in Morehead, KY and attended Rowan County Senior High School. She worked at LensCrafters for five years in Lexington, KY. She completed two years of studies at BCTC towards a business degree and also graduated from Summit Academy in Lexington, KY to become an esthetician and pursue her passion, which was pampering and taking care of others. Rachel loved her family and friends with all of her being and did not meet a stranger. She was nurturing, always putting others before herself, and a good friend to others. She was known for her radiant smile and contagious laugh. Rachel could always be confided in and was known for giving the best advice. She had the gift of making everyone she met feel special. Rachel loved God, church, traveling, shopping, and her favorite place was the beach.

She was preceded in death by her maternal grandfather, Virgil Dehart. She is survived by her parents Charles E. and Annette Sparks, sister Amy Sparks, and Joey Hall whom she considered a brother, all of Morehead, KY., as well as maternal grandmother Marie Dehart, paternal grandparents Charles E. and Myrtle Sparks, all of Sandy Hook, KY. She also leaves behind her niece, Alayna Hall, who she loved more than anything in the world, and her nephew Baby Hall, who she was so excited to meet. As well as Aunt Angela Dehart and Mel Hankla of Grayson, KY., Uncle Brad and Carla Dehart of Morehead,

KY., cousins, and a host of many friends, including her special friends Sarah and Kati Mckinney, who will always cherish her memory. Rachel was loved and will be missed so much. Heaven is now a little brighter with having her as an angel.

Private graveside services will be held at a later date at Elliott County Memory Gardens in Sandy Hook, KY.

Tribute Wall



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Rachel Ann Sparks.



November 22, 2021 at 06:07 PM



“ Rebecca Kolb lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ann Sparks



Rebecca Kolb - November 22, 2021 at 05:45 PM



“ I am Valerie Blanton the mother of Sarah. I was showing my brother Rachel's beautiful picture. I found pictures that Rayla Blevins posted of my daughter Sarah and Rachel together. Beautiful young ladies! Sarah passed away in November 2009 after graduating from MSU. I truly feel your pain in the loss of your daughter. I know my brother knows you all and is saddened by it. Thanks Rayla of the pictures.



Val - August 03, 2021 at 10:01 AM

RB

“ I met Rachel in 2009 through our mutual friend Chelsea Adams. Rachel's energy was just something else! We instantly clicked, she just never met a stranger! My memories of her include all of us girls hanging out in Morehead laughing and carrying on and going to the Breaking Benjamin concert at the Expo center.

You will be forever missed pretty girl!



Rayla Blevins - July 30, 2021 at 09:17 AM

DL

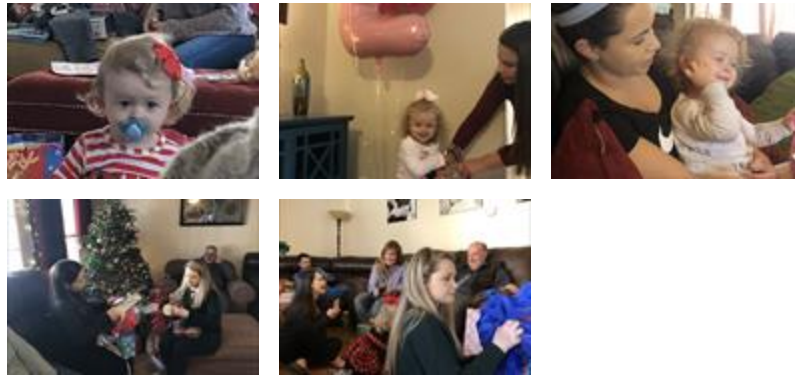
“ Denver And Peggy Lykins lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ann Sparks



Denver and Peggy Lykins - July 28, 2021 at 11:01 PM

AS

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall

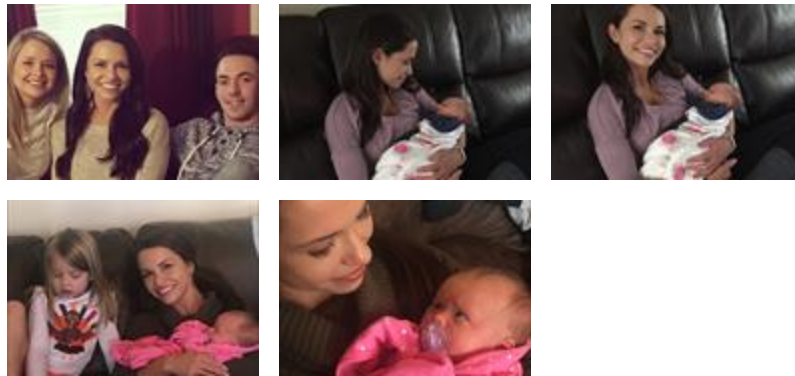


Amy Sparks - July 27, 2021 at 02:26 PM

AS

“ Rachel was more to me than she will ever know. She was my best friend in this whole entire world. She was the one I confided in when I had anything I needed to talk about. She was the first person I called when I was pregnant with Alayna and our baby boy. I remember I was terrified when I found out I was pregnant with Alayna and she was just so excited for me. And so excited she was going to be an aunt. Rach was always so good with kids and I just always admired that, but when it came to Alayna it was a whole different story. She was so crazy about her. She was always going above and beyond for Alaynas birthdays, Easter, Valentine’s Day, and Christmas. I always had such a hard time buying Alayna gifts because Rachel would always make sure she bought everything she wanted before I could. She was always the one to make sure my birthday was special. She would always get me the most delicious cupcakes and buy me the best gifts even if she didn’t have the money. I have so many memories with Rach I don’t even know where to start. We were always so close. We were only 16 months apart. Rach always tried to act like she was the oldest sister. She was always so mature for her age and we grew up having the same friends. When we were little, we would go to my granny’s and walk for miles so we could see the waterfalls, we would try to find arrowheads, and there was always a huge rock that we thought looked like a leopard. I have so many memories with her and I will cherish them for the rest of my life. I will forever be thankful that she was my best friend and she knew she could talk to me about anything. She always said she was so thankful she could tell me anything and I never judged her. I’m so thankful my daughter was able to be as close to her aunt Ra Ra as she was. Rachel made sure she seen Alayna 2-3 times a week at least her entire life. They were very close. Rach was always making sure Alayna had her nails and toenails painted. She would take her on rides to get a happy meal or ice cream every week. She was involved in absolutely everything we did with Alayna, from taking her to the aquarium, going to monkey joes, gattiland, driving around to look at the Christmas lights, taking her to see Disney on ice. She even got on a camel with Alayna because I was too afraid to. The last big

memory I have with sis is we set off a bunch of big fireworks and sis and made sure she was there with us. She didn't miss anything in our lives no matter what was going on with her. She was the first person to hold Alayna and was there with me when I was in labor with Alayna. She took me to the hospital anytime I had a scare that something was wrong and would sit up all night with me in the hospital. She opened up her home to me many times when I just needed to get away. We had many sleepovers together. She even had her own room at our home. We will forever miss her more than anything in this world and our lives will never be the same. I just wish my baby boy had the chance to have the memories that Alayna did with her. Rachel, you were so loved and I would have done anything in this world to save you. Love forever and ever, your sister.



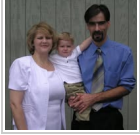
Amy Sparks - July 27, 2021 at 02:07 PM

SB

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family and friends. May God bless and comfort.*



Sen. Walter "Doc" Blevins - July 26, 2021 at 11:32 PM



“ So very sorry for your loss. Prayers for comfort during this difficult time.

Pamela and Sue Ferguson

Pamela Ferguson - July 26, 2021 at 02:12 PM

CB

“ I have known Rachel since 2013. I had the honor of being Rachel’s sponsor in a 12 step recovery program for several years. Rachel was an absolute light in my life as well as countless others and I will be forever grateful for her trusting me to take on that role in her life. Rachel shared things with me that were the most intimate, vulnerable and painful that happened to her in this life but she did it with such grace and transparency. She was such a fierce, courageous, determined and wise beyond her age person. Rachel loved with her whole heart abs her family and friends meant the absolute world to her. I’ll never forget the time that I was going through a tough time in my life and Rachel was there for me every step of the way, even though that’s what my duty as a sponsor was to her. She checked on me, she cooked for me, she made sure I laughed. She was what they call TRUE BLUE! There will never be another human like her. She was as beautiful person on the inside as she was on the outside. She had the most infectious laugh and gave the best hugs. She will never know how much she truly meant to me. Rachel was one of a kind and I know how much she loved God, so I know without a doubt that she is up there smiling down on us with that big beautiful smile! I love you little bit, until we meet again. ❤️



Casey B. - July 25, 2021 at 07:17 PM

AB

“ Amanda Bradley lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ann Sparks



Amanda Bradley - July 25, 2021 at 08:47 AM

AB

“ I met Rachel when I worked at LensCrafters's in Lexington. She was always a delight to be around! Her and I met up in Florida for a brunch when I moved out here and she was here on vacation. I think of our conversation then and the walk in the beach we took often. She was so kind and lovely inside and out. Always had the best advice and outlooks. She will be missed deeply.

Amanda Bradley - July 25, 2021 at 08:46 AM

TL

“ Rachel was such a beautiful, sweet person. We didn't speak much at LP; but after we both moved on from there, we would occasionally see each other out. Once we realized where we knew each other from, she treated me, and talked to me, like we had known each other our whole lives. She had such a caring soul, and her smile would LITERALLY light up a room.

Tracy Lamb - July 24, 2021 at 09:15 PM

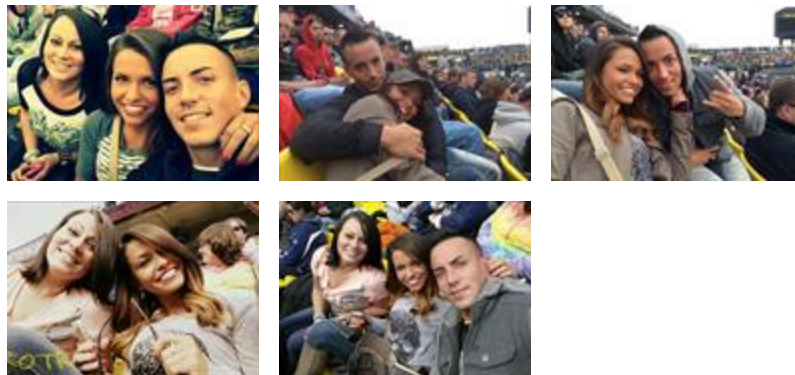
PG

“ I met Rachel at a beachside. I was the medical manager and we became close. Her spirit lifted everyone up. She had an angels smile and always showed the caring big heart she had. She sent me a message when my son passed last year and now to hear of her passing just rips my heart apart. God needed a perfect angel and had bigger and better plans for her. Rachel touched so many lives with positive thoughts and kind words. You are forever loved and missed. Always your friend Patti

patti Giachetti - July 24, 2021 at 09:09 PM

NH

“ These photos were taken when Rachel, Josh, and I went to Rock on the Range. One of the most memorable weekends of my life. I'll carry these memories with me forever. ❤️



Nicole Huber - July 24, 2021 at 08:43 PM

RR

“ Renee Dehart & Breanna Ramey
So sorry for your loss. May God wrap his arms around this family at this time. Thoughts and Prayers



Renee Dehart Jessie & Breanna Ramey - July 24, 2021 at 08:30 PM

RJ

“ Renee Jessie & Breanna Ramey



Renee Dehart Jessie - July 24, 2021 at 08:24 PM

NH

“ Rachel is and will always be one of the most beautiful souls I've ever known. She is the definition of beauty. I'm not talking about outward beauty, which goes without saying. I'm talking about inward beauty.. I've never met anyone more genuine. She ALWAYS put her love for others before herself. She ALWAYS knew how to make a person feel valued and accepted, no matter the circumstance.

Rachel, I can't begin to tell you how much I value our friendship and how much we love and miss you. You are part of our family. Our time with you on earth may have been cut short, but I know without a doubt that we will see you again. I can't wait to introduce you to Bella and for Micah to get to hug you again. I can't wait to see that smile and to laugh with you, my friend. One day this will all make sense, but for now, I will hold on to the memories we share and look forward to seeing you again. I pray that the Lord will wrap His arms around our families and everyone who has to experience this life without you. I pray for peace that passes all understanding. Thank you for making this world a better place. It truly won't be as bright without you.

Nicole Huber - July 24, 2021 at 08:12 PM

BA

“ Love and prayers from Lawrence and Barbara Adkins for comfort in the wonderful memories of Rachel.



Barbara Adkins - July 24, 2021 at 07:22 PM

RT

“ Ruby Turner lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ann Sparks



Ruby Turner - July 24, 2021 at 06:11 PM

LM

“ Laura Prewitt Manuel lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ann Sparks



Laura Prewitt Manuel - July 24, 2021 at 05:37 PM

AR

“ She had a very proud grandmother Maria she always braged how smart and beautiful she was. I hated to hear of her passing, prayers for her family.



Angie Randolph - July 24, 2021 at 05:32 PM

HA

“ I met Rachel outside of our apartment complex one night. I was shooting the moon for a photography piece and she was so confused why I was outside at midnight in the freezing cold! We got to chatting & I made a new friend that night! What a shining personality, right off the bat. Prayers to her family & friends.

haylee - July 24, 2021 at 03:50 PM

BW

“ What a special little girl you were to me Rachel!! I loved being Miss Bridgett (@ TNT) to so many little tumblers. I loved seeing you and working with you. I enjoyed seeing your pictures over the years. You had become such a beautiful young lady. I'm praying for all of your family, especially your mom & sister. (Another gal near and dear to my fondest memories!) heaven is a little sweeter. So sorry to hear though!!!

Bridgett Fannin Wells - July 24, 2021 at 02:43 PM

KF

“ So very sorry for your loss. Such a beautiful young lady. Love and many prayers for Myrtle and Charles and all the family! ❤️🙏



Kathy and Jimmy Adkins & family - July 24, 2021 at 10:18 AM

BC

“ Beverly Casebolt lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ann Sparks



Beverly Casebolt - July 24, 2021 at 09:17 AM

BC

“ I had the pleasure of having Rachel as one of my associates at Lenscrafters for several years. She was the most caring and giving person. She had the biggest warmest smile and always giving someone a big hug when needed. Rachel was loved by many and will be missed by all of us. Prayers to Rachel’s family and all that loved her dearly.

Beverly Casebolt - July 24, 2021 at 09:16 AM

DK

“ Rachel worked with me at LensCrafters. Everyone love her and her beautiful smile. She would light up an entire room. Prayers for the family I know Rachel was loved by many and will be missed
Dianne King.

Dianne King - July 24, 2021 at 08:48 AM

DK

“ Dianne King lit a candle in memory of Rachel
Ann Sparks



Dianne King - July 24, 2021 at 08:44 AM

LS

“ Deepest sympathy for your loss, I am sending you a big hug, love and prayers.



Lanna Skaggs - July 24, 2021 at 08:42 AM

MH

“ We have Rachel on our hearts today and will always remember her sweet character with our family. We love her so much and will miss her in our lives. Love Mike and Susan Huber / family.

Michael Huber - July 24, 2021 at 07:25 AM

BS

“ I met Rachel back in 2015 when I started working at sun tan city. One of the fellow employees told me “there is a girl that works here that will absolutely love you”! I had just moved to the area so I was nervous to make friends. When Rachel walked through the doors and I met her for the first time I knew she was a special kind of person. We instantly gravitated towards each other and fed off of each other’s energy! She was the type of person that brought the genuine out of you. Her love and friendship was effortless, it was so natural for her. I remember always telling her she looked like an angel.

She became my best friend while I lived in Lexington. She always loved when I would dance crazy in her car and would make her pee her pants. She saved a lot of videos of me doing that so she could laugh on her bad days. I introduced her to my husband and that’s when she started working for Lenscrafters’s! She was the same way towards him. Just pure love and acceptance. I remember Rachel always stopping to see how everyone else was around her. Always seeing if people were okay.

That’s how I remember Rachel. Loving , caring, and the most genuine type of person I’ve ever been around.

I’m so very sorry for your loss. But I would like to tell you that Rachel was one bright star. I’m going to look up at the sky tonight and know she is shining bright like she always did down here. Rest easy beautiful girl.

And like I always said. It’s not a goodbye, but a see you later!

Bailey Short - July 24, 2021 at 06:41 AM

TW

“ Annette and Family.. We are So Sorry to hear about your Beautiful Daughter..Our Hearts are broken for you All..Please know that you and your Family are in our Prayers..Today and All the Days ahead..Love you All..🙏❤️ The Woody Thomas Family



Tammy Thomas White - July 24, 2021 at 03:57 AM

CD

“ Rachel was one of the first people who took me under her wing when I first started at RCMS. I remember going to a sleep over our freshman year and having a blast! She was always so pretty, kind and smart and very confident in everything she did. I'm so sorry for everyone suffering from her lose and I pray for easier days to come. You will be missed very much! RIP



Cassandra Dockery - July 24, 2021 at 02:23 AM

RT

“ Annett, Chuck and Amy. I'm sorry for your loss of your beloved Rachel. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Robin Thornsberry - July 24, 2021 at 02:05 AM

KP

“ So sorry for your loss. i had no ideal who this was until i seen this on my Computer. I am Waldo Prince Widow Waldo was Dixie Prince son. Dixie was Olie Dehart sister.

Kathy Prince - July 24, 2021 at 01:30 AM

OC

“ I am so heart broken to hear the news about Rachel. In middle school we were inseparable. We would spend hours in the pool at her house trying to see who could get the most tan. Then we would go inside and sit at the desktop in the kitchen and chat with our friends on msn. We would somehow always end up in Amy’s room with her. I loved going to Rachel’s house and always felt so welcomed. One of my favorite memories that summer was when we went to Gatlinburg and talked my dad into taking us on a helicopter ride. We looked at the mountains through the glass floor in the helicopter. We went to Kings Island at least twice that summer too. Even though we had grown apart Rachel still messaged me often to tell me how happy she was that I was happy. That’s the kind of person she was. Always rooting for others. She would tell me how beautiful my family is and how much she loved to see it. She would also talk to me about her niece and how much she loved being an aunt. She shared with me how her niece was “her world and Amy’s twin.” I’m so grateful I have those memories and will cherish them forever ❤️

Olivia Kash Collett - July 24, 2021 at 12:59 AM

KW

“ So very sorry for everyone's loss. Such a beautiful young lady. My deepest sympathy to all. Love and prayers.



Kimberly Johnson Whitt - July 24, 2021 at 12:21 AM

TA

“ I cannot express how sorry I am for your loss. Rachel was a big part of my childhood. She was my best friend all through elementary school. She stuck up for me in kindergarten when I was sick and kids were being mean. She always had the kindest heart and a smile that would light up a room. I'll always be grateful for her friendship when we were younger and for all of the sleepovers. Walking through that field to your house after school or on the weekends so we could play and hangout is something I won't forget. I was always treated like family when you all had me over and I'll forever be grateful.

Taylor Adams - July 23, 2021 at 11:47 PM

DG

“ This is probably the only picture I have with Rachel. This was from our Washington trip in 8th grade. She was always one of the sweetest girls and always had a smile. Prayers to her family and our class of 2011. Another one gone too soon.



Danielle Grigsby - July 23, 2021 at 11:12 PM

BP

“ I will always remember our wonderful Hilton Head vacation and all the other wonderful memories through the years. The world will never be the same without you. We love you Rachie. Love Brenda, Rodney and Natalie ❤️

Brenda Perkins - July 23, 2021 at 10:12 PM

H(

“ Amy, Annette, and Chuck.. I am so terribly sorry. Rachel was truly one of the best people, with such a big heart. She would stand up for anyone that she felt was being wronged. Rach was one of my first good friends in middle school, and never for a second in my mind did I doubt her loyalty. She, as well as her family opened up their home (and her blinding pink bedroom) to me and I always felt so welcome. I hope she knew how adored she was by so many. She was a beautiful light in this world!

Here are pictures from my 16th birthday. I'll always remember Rachel this way ❤️



Hayley Williams (McCormick) - July 23, 2021 at 09:43 PM

BM

“ Rachel was such sweet and loving girl. Such a joy to be around and definitely a light in a lot of women’s lives at Liberty Place, including mine. I can remember her favorite north face jacket when we had to walk in the cold to meetings. We made the absolute best of it, laughing, singing, and talking about our families. I also remember those crest white strips!!! She loved those things!!! I can totally understand why, her smile was everything. We spent a lot of time sitting still together and she was certainly somebody who’s company I loved. She will be missed and these memories will live on. Sending prayers to her family. Much love Brittany- LP STRONG



Brittany Moody - July 23, 2021 at 09:35 PM

SW

“ Chuck, Annette, and Amy.... I’m so sorry for your loss, sending love and prayers to you all and the rest of the family. If need anything don’t hesitate to ask.

Love,
Sarah (Keller) Wallace



sarah wallace - July 23, 2021 at 09:17 PM

JG

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for all of you.



John Donna and Phoenix Gillis - July 23, 2021 at 09:02 PM

JH

“Where do I even begin? Rachel was the light of so many peoples lives, but mine, probably the most. She was there for anyone whenever they need it. She would laugh, love, be with, or cook for anyone that needed it. Strangers included. Cooking was how Rachel served others. Somehow she had the ability to bring together the most random ingredients to make the most amazing meal. She must've done this 1000 times. She always said that she never used a recipe once in her life, and that she learned the skill from her mom and her granny. God bless every one that blessed her hands with that skill.

I can't even share just one memory, because all of my memories are her by my side. My favorite thing about Rachel was her smile and her laugh. The smile would light up any room she ever entered. She would always have all the attention, and she never even realized it. She didn't care. Her humility to be such a beautiful person, most beautiful person, inside and out is an example for all of us. She is the most beautiful creation God has ever made. I could go on for hours about Rachel. She's the love of my life. I thought I'd share my favorite smile and favorite laugh that all of you know to well. Please enjoy. And Rachel, we always said, I loved you to the moon and back, but if I'm honest, my love stretches well beyond the heavens. ❤️ Please stay with us any way you can. I Love You - J



Josh Huber - July 23, 2021 at 08:59 PM

LG

She was so precious. I had the privilege of serving her at Root A Baker's. She was beautiful inside and outside. The world is a better place because of her. She touched so many lives.

Leah Gillum - July 29, 2021 at 09:34 PM

DM

She was friends with my kids. We loved her

Danny McKinney - April 11, 2024 at 07:20 PM

JS

“ I always loved seeing you and Amy both. Two nieces I was always really proud of. I am going to miss that beautiful face and smile. What a beautiful Angel you now are. Will always love you.

Jewell Swartz - July 23, 2021 at 07:26 PM

MC

“ I can still hear her laughter and see the big beautiful smile she had! She was so sweet and nice to me ... Rachel will be missed by so many .. Rest now your an angel in the heavens above.. Molly Hale Carroll LP sister

Molly Hale Carroll - July 23, 2021 at 07:00 PM

DS

“ So very sorry to hear this news. Abundance of prayers for the entire family. It is so very hard to give up your child. Prayers for all

debbie weddington sparks - July 23, 2021 at 06:34 PM



“ Express Sympathy and Condolences "I Have You in My Heart" with Butterfly Wind Chime was purchased for the family of Rachel Ann Sparks.



July 23, 2021 at 06:32 PM

EG

“ EULAH GRAY lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ann Sparks



EULAH GRAY - July 23, 2021 at 06:31 PM

MW

“ Chuck, Charles, and family. So sorry for your loss.

Mark Waddell - July 23, 2021 at 06:27 PM



“ So sorry for your loss! Prayers for comfort and strength!
Lee and Sherry Howard & Ed and Sue Lewis



Sherry Howard - July 23, 2021 at 06:18 PM

RO

“ So sorry, our sympathies. Mitch and Rhonda Oney

Rhonda and Mitch Oney - July 23, 2021 at 06:09 PM

BS

“ Barb Smith lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ann Sparks



Barb Smith - July 23, 2021 at 05:41 PM

KN

“ Sorry to hear about your loss from Mike and Karen North. We have good memories of being your neighbors for several years.

karen north - July 23, 2021 at 05:12 PM

VF

“ Vickie & David Fox lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ann Sparks



Vickie & David Fox - July 23, 2021 at 05:05 PM

CK

“ Rachel, I am absolutely still in awe, my heart is so broken, you held such a very special place in my heart, I loved seeing your happy and bubbly face, when you smiled, everyone smiled, I'm really gonna miss you, Heaven gained such a special Angel, I will see you again one day! Enjoy Dancing with the Angels! You will be forever missed!

Love You, Carla Kiser

Carla Kiser - July 23, 2021 at 03:14 PM

MF

“ Mike & Susie McGuigan and Family purchased the Love Everlasting Bouquet for the family of Rachel Ann Sparks.



Mike & Susie McGuigan and Family - July 23, 2021 at 02:18 PM

CH

“ She was one of the sweetest girls that I met in esthetics school. She was always smiling. She gave me a couple facials in school and was so passionate about her career choice. I remember her talking about Florida and how much she loved it there. She is a true angel, heaven is so lucky.



Chelsea - July 23, 2021 at 02:17 PM



“ Red Roses and Baby's Breath (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Rachel Ann Sparks.



July 23, 2021 at 01:34 PM

KD

“ Kristen Lowe Day lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ann Sparks



Kristen Lowe Day - July 23, 2021 at 01:27 PM

LM

“ Love Kati and Marcus purchased the Serenity Prayer 30" Sonnet for the family of Rachel Ann Sparks.



Love Kati and Marcus - July 23, 2021 at 12:37 PM